GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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COMPLAINT AGAINST PERFORMANCE OF SAI
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether complaints against the performance of Sports Authority of India have been received;

(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to review the performance of Sports Authority of India on the basis of the complaints received; and

(c) if so, the steps taken in the direction of bringing about suitable changes in the Sports Authority of India to nurture players and sports talents of the country ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ, YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) to (c): Complaints about the performance of the Sports Authority of India (SAI) are routinely received in the Ministry and dealt with in consultation with Director General, SAI or taken up in the SAI Governing Body and its Committees. During their recent visit to different SAI Centres, the Parliamentary Standing Committee related to the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports have given a number of recommendations for developing and strengthening SAI infrastructure and its activities.These are being acted upon. Moreover, the draft Comprehensive Sports Policy, 2007 calls for :

` Thorough revamping of the Sports Authority of India and the Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan to match up to the new and onerous additional responsibilities that would devolve on them for them to effectively fulfill their role in the realization of the aims and objectives of the Comprehensive Sports Policy`